

## House Resolution 2170

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Taiwan on its contributions to the global economy, such as the promotion of  
2 world peace, liberty, and to support Taiwan's pursuance of a Free Trade Agreement and its  
3 participation in the World Health Organization; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States of America are long standing allies, both dearly  
5 cherishing universal values of freedom and democracy; and

6 WHEREAS, Taiwan is the world's 16th largest economy, the United States' 8th largest  
7 trading partner, as well as the 5th largest market for the United States' agricultural products;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and Taiwan have enjoyed long and mutually beneficial  
10 sister-state relations since 1984, with the prospect of further growth, and the State of  
11 Georgia supports a Free Trade Agreement between the United States and Taiwan; and

12 WHEREAS, Taiwan, as a leading manufacturer of IT products, is an indispensable provider  
13 in the global high-tech industry, and its peace and stability are not only vital to the economies  
14 of the Asian Pacific region, but also to the world economy; and

15 WHEREAS, Taiwan, as one of the most active contributing parties in disaster relief efforts  
16 world wide, is not represented in the World Health Organization and other important  
17 international organizations.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the efforts of Taiwan to join into a Free Trade Agreement with the United States and to have  
20 representation in the World Health Organization are commended.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby  
2 authorized and directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Taipei Economic and  
3 Cultural Office in Atlanta.